

December 11, 2000

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL ATTACHMENT TO THE DECEMBER 12, 2000, TRANSPORTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE AGENDA

The Transportation Review Committee agenda for the December 12, 2000, meeting was mailed to members on December 5, 2000. As stated in agenda item number 11, Review of MAG Federal Funds Projections for the FY 2002-2006 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), further information would be provided before the meeting and is provided below. Due to the short notice, this memorandum is being faxed to all members concerned.

Recent projections of MAG federal funds have increased substantially, principally due to the increase in Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) funds. The latest analysis shows that an additional \$27 million will be available as shown in the following table:

Fiscal Year	STP-MAG	CMAQ
2002	\$656,480	\$0
2003	\$1,613,382	\$4,192,706
2004	\$2,412,295	\$4,747,965
2005	\$3,202,585	\$4,209,432
2006	\$3,943,944	\$2,197,811
Totals	\$11,828,686	\$15,347,914

Priorities for programming these funds, such as advancing existing projects from future years to earlier years, or increasing the federal share of current projects that are under-programmed, will be discussed. In order to be able to include the projects that will use these funds in the Draft FY 2002-2006 MAG TIP, a suggested

timetable for programming is shown below.

Date	Action
<b>January 5, 2001</b>	Submit project requests to MAG
January	MAG Modal technical advisory committees (TAC) rank projects
January 23, 2001	TRC reviews TAC rankings
February 27, 2001	TRC recommends MAG Federally Funded Program for FY 2002-2006 as part of the Draft FY 2002-2006 MAG TIP being submitted for an air quality conformity analysis.
March	Management Committee and Regional Council approve the TIP for a conformity analysis.

This accelerated process may necessitate holding some technical advisory committees out of sequence and will not allow much time to review or discuss the projects submitted. Accordingly, members will be requested to provide summaries of their projects (not more than two or three pages long), in addition to the standard TIP Data Entry Forms. It is suggested that these project summaries would include the following information and would be submitted to all appropriate technical advisory committee members for review, prior to ranking:

1. A map, diagram and/or drawing of the project;
2. A brief explanation of the project and, in the case of CMAQ funds, how the project is expected to mitigate congestion and/or improve air quality;
3. A detailed cost estimate, showing design, right-of-way and construction costs;
4. Three possible years for the project, in order of preference.

This process will require additional efforts during the programming of local funds, as the federally funded program will not be confirmed when submittals of the electronic Data Entry Forms for the Draft TIP are due to be returned **by January 19, 2001**. Additional information will be forwarded to member agencies by the end of this week.